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CITY OF HOUSTON

Job Posting

Applications accepted from

Job Classification **Posting Number** Department Division Section Reporting Location Workdays & Hours

ALL PERSONS INTERESTED

Microbiologist III PN# 105411

Health & Human Services Department Communicable Disease

Molecular Diagnostic Laboratory

1115 S. Braeswood M - F, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.*

(Must be able to work irregular hours)

*Subject to change

DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES/ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

Performs highly technical bacteriological, serological and/or virological laboratory work according to clearly prescribed procedures and laboratory techniques or developmental methods.

CORE FUNCTIONS

- Identification of Bioterrorism/food pathogens by cultural and molecular diagnostics according to established procedures. Assists with the validation of new test procedures. First-responder to a Bioterrorism event. Functions as a liaison between the laboratory and the epidemiology bureau. Trains level A and other labs in
- Bioterrorism and related test procedures.
- Write and update CDC LRN and other laboratory protocols.
- Cross trains and rotates in the microbiology/immunology/molecular diagnostic laboratories as needed. Assists with supply ordering.
- Participates in continuing educational/proficiency programs.

10 **WORKING CONDITIONS**

This position occasionally requires stooping or bending. Occasional very light lifting, such as three or four reams of papers or books (up to 20 pounds or an equivalent weight) may be required.

MINIMUM EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS 11

A Bachelor's degree in Biology, Bacteriology, Microbiology or a closely related field is required.

<u>MINIMUM EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS</u>

Two years of experience in laboratory work dealing with bacteriology, serology or virology are required.

MINIMUM LICENSE REQUIREMENTS 13 None

PREFERENCES 14

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- Must be able to work irregular hours, on call weekends, evenings and nights.
- Experience in Microbiology/Molecular Diagnostics techniques.
- Prefer a Bachelor's degree in Medical Microbiology with very good computer skills.

SELECTION/SKILLS TESTS REQUIRED None

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<u>SAFETY IMPACT POSITION</u> ⊠Yes □No This position is subject to random drug testing and if a promotional position, candidate must pass an assignment drug test.

17 SALARY INFORMATION **GRANT FUNDED POSITION**

This position is dependent upon continued available funds. If funding is no longer available, employee may be transferred or laid off. Factors used in determining the salary offered include the candidate's qualifications as well as the pay rates of other employees in this classification. The minimum to midpoint of this salary range is:

Salary Range - Pay Grade 21 \$1,211 - \$1,660 Biweekly \$31,486 - \$43,160 Annually

OPENING DATE June 22, 2005 18 19 **CLOSING DATE** Open Until Filled

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APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Original applications only are accepted and must be received by the Human Resources Department during posting opening and closing dates shown, between 9:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at 611 Walker, 1st Level. Successful candidates will be notified of their application status. All new and rehires must pass a pre-employment drug test and are subject to a physical examination and verification of information provided. TDD Phone Number (713) 837-9496.

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